IN THE CLAIMS:

Please rewrite claims 18, 19, 32 and 33 as set forth below in clean form. Additionally, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(ii), amended claims 18, 19, 32, and 33 are set forth in a marked-up version in the pages attached to this Amendment.

18. (Once amended) The system of claim 17, wherein the destination address query and the directory response are each transported via the data network as transaction capability application part (TCAP) query and TCAP response messages, respectively.

19. (Once amended) The system of claim 17, wherein the destination address query and the directory response are each transported via the data network according to transmission control protocol/internet protocol (TCP/IP).

32. (Once amended) The method of claim 24, wherein the accessing step includes sending a transaction capability application part (TCAP) formatted query message requesting the destination address.

33. (Once amended) The method of claim 24, wherein the accessing step includes sending a transmission control protocol/internet protocol (TCP/IP) formatted message carrying a database query requesting the destination address.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Claims 1-43 and are currently pending and